

## BROWN ESTATE 2020 NAPA VALLEY ZINFANDEL "VINTAGE NO. 25"

Historically our flagship Napa Valley Zinfandel was exclusively estate-based. Commencing with the 2018 vintage we expanded its horizons by introducing fruit from other Napa Valley vineyards in order to explore the region's Zinfandel expressions beyond the confines of Brown Estate, and with benefit of David's 20+ years working with this singular varietal. For this milestone vintage precious little fruit was available due to late season wildfires, hence its abbreviated composition and diminished production. Like the proverbial phoenix though, *still we rise*. Cheers to 25 years of Brown Zin! (This vintage available direct from winery only.)

## **Technical**

Composition: 100% Napa Valley Zinfandel

**Vineyard sources:** Chiles Valley (Brown Estate)

Howell Mountain (Beatty)

**Appellation:** Napa Valley

**Barrel aging:** 10 months in 30% new oak, 50/50 French/American

**ABV:** 14.9% **pH:** 3.77 **TA:** 6.3 g/L

**Production:** 400 cases in 12 x 750ml format

600 cases in 6 x 1.5L format

## Sensory

**Eye:** Dark garnet core, ruby rim.

Nose: Lily of the valley, rose petals, English lavender, cinnamon, clove,

eucalyptus, allspice.

Palate: Cashmere soft mouthfeel with notes of strawberry pie shadowed by

sleek acidity. Balanced and elegant with a lasting finish.

Cellar life: Can be cellared for up to 15 years; drink now through 2027 for a

more fruit-forward expression or farther out for a more earthy

expression.